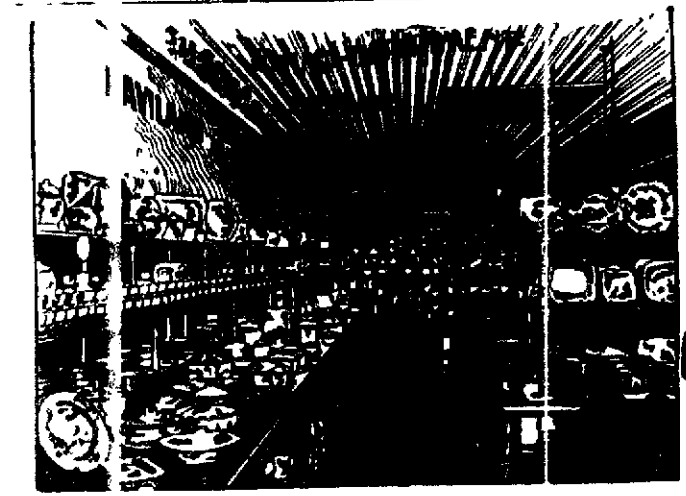


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We are offering now some of the **HANDSOMEST LINES OF DINNER WARES** ever received in Decatur at prices that cannot be equaled elsewhere.

A visit to our China Department will repay you.

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We have a big lot of Ladies' Dongola Kid Shoes which have retailed regularly at \$2 and \$2.75, and they were worth the money for they are all solid. The sizes run from 2 1/2 to 7. They are mostly small sizes and therefore most of them suited to the ladies of Decatur. We will sell these shoes absolutely without any reserve until five hundred pairs are sold at the uniform price of **ONE DOLLAR PER PAIR**. Come while you can get them. In stringent times make your money buy more. Here is an opportunity in Ladies' Shoes such as you never before heard of. Come and see them and we know that you will buy.

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Our Fall Line of Bed-Room Suits is now in place, and we can show you the largest and best line of Suits for the money that was ever brought to the city.

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SATURDAY EVE., SEPT. 9, 1905.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

After Dinner Coffee
In the United States used to sell at forty cents for cup and saucer. You can now buy them at Bartholomew's clearing sale at 25 cents.

No rain yet.

Diner & Son, tailors.

Parson Ostrum at St. Louis. 29-24.

Town, 44-Hackins & Moore, dealers.

HUTCHMAN'S Carriage for a good smoke.

21-14

LAWSON'S RAPID RELIEF cures all aches and pains.

Ostrum, New York Corsets, at Kiehl, ang24-dit

Smokes the old reliable K. & W. cigars, mar25dit

Quaker Doctors' remedies at Dawson's pharmacy.

Ice cream for sale by the quart or gallon, at Irwin's.

The new Episcopal Prayer Book and Hymnal, at Dawson's book store.

Upper or lower set of teeth, \$3.00. J. M. Rytke, 187 E. Main street.

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WALL PAPER and window shades at Conklin & Hanson's, in Library Block.

See the line of stores at Bachman Bros. & Martin Co., before purchasing.

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SABBATH SERVICES.

Visiting Ministers who will Occupy the Decatur Churches.

Announcements for services during conference.

U. S. Church, Saturday, 7:30 p. m.—Young people's rally.

7:30 p. m.—Song service; 20 minutes. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Bogges.

Song.

Fifteen-minute addresses by Rev. P. H. Waggoner, of Casey, President W. H. Kinsler, D. D., of Westfield College, and Bishop J. W. Hall, D. D.

Pulpit in the city will be supplied as follows:

C. S. Church.

Love Feast at 9:30 a. m., opened by Rev. R. H. Beck, of Fisher.

Sermon at 10:30 a. m. by Bishop J. W. Hall, D. D.

Ordination services after morning sermon.

Sabbath school at 2:30 p. m., after which will be conducted a Sabbath school anniversary conducted by Conference Sunday School Secretary Rev. Z. T. Hastings.

Preaching at 7:45 p. m. by President W. H. Kinsler, D. D., of Westfield College.

Evening—Rev. H. T. Athos, of Argenta.

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Methodist Church.

Morning—Rev. G. G. Hearing, of Tennessee.

Evening—Rev. J. H. Crowder, of Bethany, Ill.

Morning, Devotion—G. G. Hearing.

Afternoon—D. O. Griffin.

WILL CLOSE TO-NIGHT.

The Session of the United Brethren Conference—Resolutions.

This morning Mr. Hearing, of Tennessee, conducted the devotional exercises.

The deficit in the salary of the presiding elders was adjusted.

The resolution affecting the American Bible Society was adopted.

Elder Field was re-elected treasurer for the mission fund.

This will be his 21st year as treasurer.

Resolutions in memory of Rev. T. F. Rathbun and Mrs. Hatfield, wife of Secretary Hatfield were adopted with appropriate memorial remarks.

A. Kramer was elected treasurer of the church erection society, and A. F. Hopkins secretary.

President Kinsler, of Westfield College, was presented to the conference.

Treasurer King reported \$450.85 pledged for the church litigation fund, and \$80 additional was subscribed for the fund.

Rev. J. W. Bogges and Rev. Levi Field were re-elected presiding elders for the Decatur and Lexington districts.

Revs. Hatfield and Griffin of the Decatur district and Rev. Shole and Beck of the Lexington district were elected as committees to act in conjunction with the bishop in stationing the presiding elders.

Last evening Rev. D. R. Miller, of Dayton, Ohio, addressed the conference. The church was crowded.

Matrimonial.

Mr. A. J. Pollard, book-keeper for U. S. Taylor, grain commission house, and Mrs. Anne Loy will be united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents at Lexington, Illinois, next Tuesday morning. The couple will arrive in Decatur on Tuesday and begin housekeeping in a neat cottage on West Wood street, now completely finished.

The announcement is made of the approaching wedding of Miss Laura May Farnes, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farnes, to Dr. L. P. Walbridge, on Wednesday evening, September 20th, at 8 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, No. 521 East Eldorado street. They will be "at home" to their friends Wednesday, October 18th, 5 and 25th, at 621 East Eldorado street.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Clyde E. Boyer and Miss Nellie A. Caskey, at the home of the bride's parents in Clinton, on Wednesday, September 20th. The groom is a Washburn fireman. The couple will reside in Decatur and will be "at home" to their friends in Decatur after October 2nd, at 505 East Corro Gordo street.

Out of the Hotel.

J. E. Long returned from the Hotel Long last evening, and to-day the hotel is closed as far as business is concerned. A. Watt is in charge of the property, and Mr. Long has got all of the money out of the hotel that he had in it. The furniture is valued at \$4,000. The hotel has been \$1,500 a year, with interest on the value of the furniture. Mr. Long has residence property at Jerseyville and Taylorville. He will probably return to Taylorville with his family.

State Fair Location.

It appears that the Illinois Agricultural Board will meet next week to locate the state fair. It was thought the matter would come up not sooner than next January. Yesterday at Bloomington John McNeill received the following telegram, which is self-explanatory:

CHICAGO, ILL., Sept. 8, 1905.

Gen. John McNeill—No action will be taken by the board of agriculture to locate the state fair until next week.

LAFAYETTE, ILL.

Bound for Chicago.

Mrs. J. H. Miller, Mrs. C. M. Boardman, Mrs. S. H. Hopkins, Mrs. W. H. Williams, and the Messrs. Ada, Edna and Minnie Miller, Edna Pies, Minnie Neff, Emma Floyd, Miss Miller and William Floyd, of Decatur, leave to-night for the Washburn for Chicago, and will stop at Mrs. Weakley's, Auburn avenue, South Chicago.

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THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

A Few Questions Answered.

1. Can I send my children to the fair next week and have them admitted to the schools on their return? Certainly. You will serve the best interests of your children and the schools by sending them to school promptly on Monday morning but they will be received at any time.

2. Must my children be vaccinated before entering school? They must. The law of the state, city and district requires that it be done.

3. We have had a slight case of scarlet fever in our family. Can we send our other children to school? You cannot. No child will be received from a family where a case of contagious disease has occurred without a certificate from a physician that all danger of communicating the disease to other persons has passed. Parents and physicians are earnestly requested to give immediate notice to the school authorities of any case that would endanger the health of other children. Too much care cannot be exercised in such cases. Remember that life may be sacrificed through our lack of vigilance.

4. Will the new rooms in the Warren Street School be ready for use next Monday? They will not; it is hoped that they can be used by the 15th.

5. Will there be a 7th grade in the H. B. Durfee School this year? Probably not, but this cannot be stated positively until the opening of the schools. It is quite likely that many of the pupils who attended this school last year will be transferred to the Warren and Sangamon Street schools.

6. At what age can a child be admitted to school? The law says that he shall be six years old; but children will be received on the first day who are six years old before December 1st, 1905. Please remember that it is very important that the "little ones" should begin at the commencement of the term. Parents who heed this request will save the hard-worked primary teacher a vast amount of trouble.

Finally, please remember that it is the duty of the superintendent to find a seat for every child in the district. If he is to do this, he must prevent undue crowding in every room, it will be necessary for him to send some children to schools that their parents might not select. He begs to assure you that it would afford him great satisfaction to so arrange all such matters that every parent and pupil would be suited with his decision. But past experience teaches him that he cannot hope to do this. Please try to believe him when he tells you that he will honestly endeavor to do what, in his judgment, will be for the best interests of all. In cases of dissatisfaction parents are respectfully invited to call at the office in the High School between 4 and 5 o'clock any school day, or from 7:30 to 11:30 a. m. on Saturdays.

E. A. GASTMAN.

POSTOFFICE CHANGE.

The Removal to the Columbus Block Will Occur Sept. 16.

It is now arranged to move the post-office to the Columbus Block, the Bonhomme building on Saturday evening, Sept. 16. It is believed that Drake & Miller will have the room ready by that day. Postmaster Hubbard will handle his force on the 16th, and will have everything ready Sunday morning, the 17th, for the usual delivery.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Architect R. O. Rosen is in Tuscola on business.

Mrs. W. J. Barrett left for her home in Mattoon to-day.

Miss Ella Gore is visiting relatives in Louisville, Ky.

Walter Hatfield and family will leave to-night for Chicago.

Attorney L. A. Buckingham has returned from Chicago.

Mrs. C. H. Dawson left to-day for Milford to visit relatives.

Mrs. W. A. Boettger left to-day for Harrisburg, Ill., to visit her sister.

A. A. Cornean, of D. 5, Mo., is a guest of George Morgan and family.

Mrs. W. J. Connelly and Miss Connelly came home from Chicago last evening.

Miss Maud Foster and brother, George Foster, have returned from the World's Fair.

Miss Maud Falconer of Mt. Zion is a guest of Miss G. M. Ashmore on North Union street.

C. P. Housman will leave on next Tuesday for Knoxville, Tenn., for the benefit of his health.

Miss Maud Martin returned to-day from a visit with Miss Phoebe Krieger at Jacksonville.

W. W. Mason and wife and Bert Shaw have returned from a visit with relatives in Christian county.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Zimmerman and Mr. and Mrs. Landy Skidmore left to-day for Chicago to attend the fair.

Miss Emily Parks, who has been in the city visiting Miss Ella Rike, left to-day for her home in Leroy, Ill.

Miss Minnie Allen of Joliet is very sick at the home of Miss Edith Durfee in this city. Her father is expected this evening.

Will King arrived in the city at four o'clock last evening from Chicago in a guest of Miss King's vacation with his father, Dr. King.

E. M. Wright and wife, of Roseburg, Ore., and Miss Fanny Wright, of Clinton, were in Decatur yesterday, the guests of Mrs. E. J. Stender.

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AWAY WITH PRETENDERS.

Exposure of Bold Plagiarism in a Decatur Pulpit.

EDITORIAL: Honesty in all the walks of life is a commendable virtue. Especially in the pulpit. We look for our preachers to be not only strictly honest in their dealings, but also in their preaching on Sunday. These remarks are suggested by the following facts:

Sunday last, September 3, a certain minister was brought here in the absence of the regular pastor to supply the pulpit of the First M. E. church. He landed from Tipton, Mo. He was extremely entertained, and large audiences listened with pleasure to his sermons. The sermon in the evening on the "Inspiration of the Bible" was very fine, and made a most favorable impression upon his hearers. The preacher was an uncommonly excellent manuscript reader. He repeated the congratulations of the people upon the sermon, remarking that it was only one of his "ordinary sermons, such as he preached at every Sunday night."

Now the fact is, that sermon lies before the author of this note in printed form. It was written, delivered and printed by H. L. Hastings, of Boston, Mass., and is entitled "The Inspiration of the Bible." It was first given before the Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Young Men's Christian Associations of Massachusetts. It was immediately published, as part of the "Anti-Infallible Library," and has been widely distributed. Scores of this sermon have been given out in this city by the workers of the Y. M. C. A. and is thoroughly familiar to several persons.

With singular audacity the preacher from Tipton copied the above lecture, page by page, word by word, and read it as his own. There are twenty-nine pages in the printed tract and the minister appropriated as his own twenty-four pages. It is no pleasure to us to expose such plagiarisms; but justice to himself as well as to the ministry in general requires it. Let us have honest doings in our pulpits. Misrepresenting in other men's thoughts and words, trusting to escape detection through the confidence and ignorance of their hearers. Sooner or later such impostors are sure to meet exposure.

FAIR DEALING.

FERRIS WHEEL WILL DIVIDE.

Probably After Monday the \$300,000 Exemption Will Be Wiped Out.

If Mr. Ferris and his big wheel on the Midway Pleasure have good luck they will have taken in \$300,000 to-night. No other concession on the grounds has made such a success. One day not long ago \$7,422 was taken in. By the terms of the contract with Mr. Ferris it was agreed that no percentage should be asked from him by the fair until after the close of the wheel,